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# S. 184

To amend section 401(b)(2) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding the Federal Pell Grant maximum amount.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 16, 2003

Mr. DODD (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. DAYTON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3   **SECTION 1. FEDERAL PELL GRANT MAXIMUM AMOUNT.**

4       Section 401(b)(2) of the Higher Education Act of  
5   1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)(2)) is amended—

6               (1) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-  
7       paragraph (C);

8               (2) by amending subparagraph (A) to read as  
9       follows:

1       “(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the  
 2 amount of the Federal Pell Grant for a student eligible  
 3 under this part shall be—

4               “(i) \$6,700 for academic year 2004–2005;

5               “(ii) \$7,600 for academic year 2005–2006;

6               “(iii) \$8,600 for academic year 2006–2007;

7               “(iv) \$9,600 for academic year 2007–2008;

8               “(v) \$10,600 for academic year 2008–2009;

9       and

10              “(vi) \$11,600 for academic year 2009–2010,

11 less an amount equal to the amount determined to be the  
 12 expected family contribution with respect to that student  
 13 for that year.”; and

14              (3) by inserting after subparagraph (A) (as so  
 15 amended) the following:

16       “(B) If the Secretary determines that the increase  
 17 from one academic year to the next in the amount of the  
 18 maximum Federal Pell Grant authorized under subpara-  
 19 graph (A) does not increase students’ purchasing power  
 20 (relative to the cost of attendance at an institution of high-  
 21 er education) by at least 5 percentage points, then the  
 22 amount of the maximum Federal Pell Grant authorized  
 23 under subparagraph (A) for the academic year for which

- 1 the determination is made shall be increased by an amount
- 2 sufficient to achieve such a 5 percentage point increase.”.

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